

## POSITION OF IAUKEA IN 1902.

As instancing Curtis P Iaukea's political astuteness and demonstrating the entire consistency of his course since then, we reprint from the Advertiser below a portion of the proceedings of the Republican Territorial Convention of 1902.

Colonel Iaukea made a strong plea for consistency between Party Platform and Party Policy (which meant putting off the evil day when those in power were to be shorn of some of that power) won the day as Policy wins with all Republican promises.

In the course of his remarks he prophesied defeat of the Party at future elections if they betrayed the people in the matter of County Government.

It is up to the voters to fulfill his prophecy by electing the entire Democratic ticket:

"George R. Carter from the committee on platform was recognized and read the document at length.

The convention expected much from the committee and its declarations were received with applause. The name of President Roosevelt first evoked cheers and when the committee's pronouncement on suffrage was read there was a cheer and a burst of applause, showing how completely the stand of the party filled the minds of delegates and spectators. The next plank, that dealing with the stand of the party on city and county government was just as loudly received and from that point every declaration of faith brought forth applause. The plans dealing with the leper question, with Ex-Queen Liliuokalani, the schools, in fact every one was applauded and the report generally was well received.

When the report had been read T. F. Lansing moved the adoption of the report as a whole and this was seconded by J. L. Kaulukou, who said there was no reason to argue upon such a complete production.

Curtis P. Iaukea took the floor and moved the following as an amendment to the platform as a substitute to the city and county plank:

"Be It Resolved, That the Republican party does hereby pledge itself to enact a law providing for municipal and county government in the Territory of Hawaii, and that said law shall become effective within thirty days thereof.

"C. P. IAUKEA."

Col. Iaukea in support of his resolution said that he had a duty to perform, a duty to the party for without a clear out resolution on the question the party was courting defeat. The platform plank just read, he said, left a loop hole in that the law must go to the people which might mean delay for two years. The executive, he said, was opposed to city and county government, he had said so, and he would not call an election. He said the plank was not sufficient to avoid defeat. He was opposed to submission to the people for it meant delays. Deferring action he said meant that those who voted so to do must bear the burden of responsibility. An answer must be made to the administration for a second defeat and he thought the only way to meet the emergency was to come out squarely.

Col. Iaukea said he wanted to be able to say to the Hawaiians that the benefits which came to the people came through the Republican party. He said that if the Republican party failed now he feared it would be many years before the party would be the controlling force in the Territory. He called the policy evasive, for it meant deferred action, and he predicted that such action would mean the forcing out of the party of the intelligent Hawaiians, who would insist upon the people having their rights. "I will stand by you," he said, "but there must be an end. If the convention votes against me today I shall stay with you and I shall feel that I have done my best to save the party with which I have cast my destinies." Col. Iaukea made

his own speech in Hawaiian and he was liberally applauded throughout.

Dr. J. H. Raymond secured the floor immediately, but was interrupted by Col. Fisher who demanded the translation of Iaukea's remark that the plan meant the staying off of action until there were sufficient haoles in the country to defeat the bill over the heads of Hawaiians.

Dr. Raymond said that during the session of the committee there was not a single voice raised against immediate passage of an act establishing county and municipal governments. The reason why the clause was inserted sending the law to the people was for a ratification by them and not for the purpose of delay. It was the intention of the committee that the law should be passed at once and submitted immediately so that the law might go into effect even before the conclusion of the legislature.

Dr. Raymond said that all are American citizens and he was surprised that any man after hearing the speeches of the senators this morning would appear on the floor and make a fight upon the color line.

A. G. M. Robertson secured the floor and said he agreed with much that Iaukea said. The Republican party could not afford to be equivocal on the subject of county and city government. He said it would be un-Republican and un-American to be equivocal. He said there must be immediate action and that the easiest way was to amend by striking out the clause referring the act to the citizens of the Territory. He said that with the plank in that form the objections of the delegate from the fifth district would be removed and a plank left upon which all could stand and for which all could work heartily.

H. P. Baldwin was recognized and began by saying there was no intention to postpone action as everyone was pledged to it. He was ready to see such a law passed immediately. He said that there was no intention to put the calling of an election to the executive, as inferred by Iaukea but such a matter, of such importance it should go to the people for ratification the law providing for the date of the election so that there would be no chance for delay. There are some in my delegation who favor the bill but who believe there should be ratification by the people. Personally, he said, he would not oppose Robertson's amendment as it made the matter of city government optional, some towns taking advantage of it and others not doing so.

Iaukea said that the Governor had said to him that he opposed such county and municipal government as proposed now; that he favored a gradual change, that the legislature had no power to call an election, that the executive alone could do that.

Col. Iaukea then said he was willing to withdraw his resolution and accept the amendment. He declared that he was working only for a Republican legislature as he believed the interests of the government demanded such safeguards, and he felt that the interests of the country were safer in the hands of a Republican legislature than in those of a Home Rule legislature.

George R. Carter said he wanted to speak on two points only. He said first a reflection was cast upon the executive when it was a fact that within two days the executive had declared that he was in favor of city and county government the moment he was assured that the majority favored it.

He said that again the speaker (Iaukea) had cast a reflection upon Republicanism when he declared that it was the intention of the white men to evade the issue until the white men were in control. This caused an uproar, for Iaukea declared he was misquoted, that he had said only that the impression would be created that the white men had this intention.

Senator J. D. Paris upheld the integrity of the committee declaring that it had meant honestly what it said and that there was no inten-

tion to evade the matter. He said he must believe that Iaukea did not mean all that he said on this subject for the white men were as honest as any members of the party. He said we are all here as a body of American citizens all working for the best interests of the Republican party. He said no member should rise on the floor and charge disloyalty. He said Iaukea had done an injustice to his fellow delegates. He appealed to all to drop race prejudice and move ahead along proper lines, stand firm for Republicanism and go ahead to victory.

Kaulukou said he felt that much depended on the action of the party as to its platform and he wanted the platform considered section by section. There were cries of "question" and G. R. Carter moved that the Robertson amendment be accepted by a rising vote and when the motion was put every hand went up for it and the objectors being asked to stand not a single negative vote. The passage of the plank was received with cheers which were repeated when the amended plank was read.

### LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

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Court Camoes, Foresters, will have a pedro party and smoker this evening.

The Maternity Home Society will have its monthly meeting tomorrow morning.

The Alameda will be due to arrive on Friday of this week from San Francisco.

The Kinau left almost promptly at noon today on her regular weekly windward run.

The registration on Maui rolled up a total of 2544, which is about 300 more than two years ago.

Fifth District Democratic spell binders plan starting on their tour of Oahu tomorrow, going by way of the Pali.

Major E. H. F. Wolter is again quite ill, having suffered a relapse. His physician says, however, that he will be all right in a couple of months.

The grand jury yesterday returned a true bill against Philip Naonr, charged with murdering his wife. On motion of defendant's counsel the case was put over for ten days.

Officers and passengers by the transport Sheridan were entertained at the Young and Hawaiian hotels last evening. There were music and dancing at both places.

The court is proceeding today with the E. S. Boyd embezzlement case. As yet a jury has not been secured. It is expected that a jury will be secured during the afternoon when the case will be proceeded with.

### District Court Doings.

A calendar of thirty-three cases was what confronted Judge Lindsey yesterday morning, but they were disposed of in short order by postponements and otherwise. Thirteen were for drunkenness, twelve of whom were assessed as usual and one was collo pressed. Seven Chinese and one Jap were for being present at a gambling place, one of whom forfeited bail of \$20, the rest being fined only \$2 and costs each. Of two Chinese for having chess tickets in possession, one was fined \$24 and costs and the other \$10 and costs. Clarence Robertson, for larceny in the second degree, was discharged.

### Passengers Arrived.

Per stur Mauna Loa, from Hawaii and Maui ports, Oct 11—Juan Edmund, Juan Celestino, Y Akana, Fred Angus, Priar Victor, Goodie Moore, W. F. Drake, A. Hocking, Mrs. Geo. Clarke, F. L. Leslie, Chas. Cowan, Miss Lottie Cowan, Miss Leslie Bow, Frank Gomez, Momimoto, Charles Gay, O. Conradt, R. Ivers, Measa Nahaolele, Sam Nowleis, A. K. Jones, Wo Chow, Priar Vangelique and 46 deck.

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